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The biggest thing Senator Bob Reynolds "Vindicators" will have to vindicate is their vindication.

It couldn't be, of course, that Congress wants to know what the President's foreign policy is, just so the members can oppose it.

Mussolini, we reckon, wants to leave Italian soldiers in Spain so they can build him a few aircastrles against the day when it gets too hot for him in Italy.

The Senate announces that its leaders are about to get together on a plan for the liquidation of cotton. The farmers should get ready to grab the grass.

"Uncle Billy"

Elkin again was called upon to follow to the grave one of her beloved old landmarks Monday when we paid sincere and loving tribute to that grand old man, William Sanford Gough.

"Uncle Billy" was Elkin's oldest citizen. The years had furrowed his brow, but his heart was that of a boy—unscarred by the vicissitudes of time and life.

In his heyday, "Uncle Billy" was an important cog in the industrial life of this little city. He helped tremendously to make it what it is today in more ways than industrially.

Yadkin gave Uncle Billy to us, and Yadkin gave of its best. It is right and proper that Yadkin should be honored at the last by reclaiming him through eternity.

Surry's Tobacco Farmers

In December the tobacco farmers voted against marketing quotas, which is just another way of saying crop control.

Now that the program has been shelved for 1939, leaders in the tobacco belt are wondering what to expect.

And basing their prediction on past performance of the tobacco farmers, many are predicting that they will go the limit in production this year.

But right now it appears that Surry county farmers, having cut their eyeteeth, will follow the advice of their farm leaders and hold their production to an even keel.

We Prefer to Think— Measures introduced in the General Assembly sometimes get lost in the shuffle...

Senator Fred Folger introduced a bill in the legislature to put Surry county under the statewide primary act...

We prefer to think that this does not correctly represent Senator Folger's attitude. It smacks too much of an overlordship that we feel sure Mr. Folger does not want to assume.

But we are repeating that it would please us greatly to know that this newspaper's appraisal does not reflect Senator Folger's attitude—because of the issue, but because of the autocratic spirit involved.

The wisdom of the Democrats of North Carolina gave us the primary, and if through their wisdom it can be purged of its faults, faults that need not be when there is honest and righteous purpose...

Not Ready Yet

The bill introduced by Representative Roper, of Lincoln county, to abolish capital punishment, was killed in committee.

No, the legislators are too busy to pester with a little thing like life and death. But it is encouraging to note that more than a few stood up and earnestly urged that the State stop its legal killing.

Representative Roper reminds that the eighty-five persons executed in North Carolina in the last five years was more than in any one of forty-one other States.

It may mean, of course, that this State is the most efficient among all the States in the detection, capture and conviction of those guilty of major crime.

Other states in which capital punishment was abolished forty years ago have fewer major crimes than North Carolina, per thousand population.

The legislature killed the Roper bill, but some of these days another legislature will pass one like it.

"Motto for young housewives: 'If at first you don't succeed, fry and fry again.'"—Toronto Daily Star.

But she's in for a hatful of disappointment if she thinks his feet will stop wandering after they are married.

Boost of Liquor Levy Is Refused; Rail Tax Is Cut

(Continued from page one) by selling distributors caps or "crowns" on which is inscribed: "North Carolina tax paid."

Following the recommendation of the Governor and the budget commission, the appropriations committee voted to increase the state highway patrol from 120 to 170 men.

The committee refused to grant public school teachers a second hearing on proposed salary increases.

Chief Graham Is Found Not Guilty

(Continued from Page One) to whether Chief Graham was in uniform, Brown replied in the affirmative, stating also that he was wearing his police badge.

Byron Bryan, member of the string band which furnished music for the square dance at the ball, was the second witness to be presented.

The prosecution rested following Bryan's testimony, and Mrs. Edith Folger took the stand for the defense. She told the court that she had danced with the officer and that later she had talked with him for about an hour.

Franklin Folger also testified that the officer was sober and that he did not have on uniform.

Other witnesses who said they had danced with or had observed the police chief and who said that he was not drunk and had not been drinking were Mrs. Hubert Parker, Mrs. Lucille Snow Richardson, Mrs. Carl Young, Carl Boyles, John "Red" Scott, and Policeman Corbett Wall.

After rendering a verdict of not guilty, Magistrate Hall termed the action frivolous and malicious and taxed the prosecution with the costs.

Scouts Do Good Job In Governing Town

(Continued from Page One) cost of such signals, but found the cost prohibitive at the present time. He said that signals of the quality used in other towns would cost about \$1,500 to buy and install at principal intersections.

The board of commissioners was made up of Charles Colhard, chairman, Harold Brendle, Worth Graham, Jr., Gayle Graham and Jimmy Hanks.

Mayor Poindexter said Saturday afternoon that the scouts did such a good job of running the town that maybe it would be a good idea to turn the job over to them permanently.

Confesses Theft Of \$420 In Cash

(Continued from page one) the theft to Jonesville Police Chief Hugh Madison, showing him where the money was hidden in a jar concealed in a small pile of brush about a mile from the Johnson home.

When the theft was first discovered, Della Privette, 17, of Wilkes county, who was said to be Rash's sweetheart, was arrested on a charge of conspiracy to rob the Johnsons.

Elkin's Oldest Citizen Passes Sunday A. M.

(Continued from Page One) the Elkin Methodist church and a regular attendant at church services until his final illness.

He was twice married, first to Miss Sarah Fleming and after her death to Mrs. Carrie Phillips. Immediate survivors are four children by the first marriage:

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church. The rites were in charge of the pastor, Rev. P. W. Tucker, assisted by Rev. L. B. Abernethy, a former pastor, Prof. Z. H. Dixon, a close friend of the family, and Rev. J. H. Greene, the latter of Yadkinville.

The body lay in state at the church from noon until the hour of the funeral. Following the rites here the final service was held at Flat Rock Baptist church, where the body lay in state for 30 minutes before interment in the family plot in this historic old cemetery.

A profuse floral offering and the host of friends who attended the last rites were a beautiful tribute to an honorable life.

31 Teams Entered in 4-County Tourney

(Continued from page one) ment, have already been received. Two 22-inch silver trophies, appropriately engraved, will be awarded the championship teams.

Officials are expecting large crowds for each day of play, and promise four exciting games each night, two boys' games and two girls'. Included in the list of teams to take part are many crack squads that will offer a fast and furious brand of basketball that should keep spectators literally on the edge of their seats.

Schools which have entered the tournament thus far are: Dobeon, Mount Pleasant, Mountain Park, Yadkinville, East Bend, Ronda, Shoals, Roaring River, Mt. View, Low Gap, White Plains, Copeland, Jonesville, Sparta, Beulah and Elkin.

Fox Chase Ends On Front Porch Of Yadkin Man

One of the most peculiar endings ever recorded for a fox race was enacted at the home of J. R. Hall of the Friendship community near East Bend this week when a pack of fox hounds chased a red fox onto his front porch and killed it there, according to R. A. Jessup, of East Bend.

The fox was jumped by a large pack of hounds, and after leading them over a large part of Yadkin county, headed in the direction of Mr. Hall's home, where, exhausted, it took refuge on the front porch.

20-Cent Tax Rate In Public Interest

(Continued from Page One) taxi war in form of price slashing would result in cancellation of such insurance.

The commission's, it was pointed out, are not interested in private squabbles engaged in by competing firms insofar as it doesn't concern the safety of the public.

The Downtown Taxi company, it was said, complied with insurance provisions of the law requiring that all taxi operators carry such insurance.

PLAN BOX SUPPER AT ROARING GAP

A box supper will be held at Roaring Gap school Saturday evening, February 18. The public is cordially invited to attend.

ROYAL AGAIN LEADS THE WORLD FOR VALUE

Advertisement for Royal Complete Cleaning Outfit, featuring a vacuum cleaner and a price of \$39.95.

Harris Electric Co.

GROUP FAVORABLY REPORTS NEW BILL

Woodhouse Draws First Blood Following Hearing at Raleigh Tuesday

Representative Frank Woodhouse Tuesday afternoon saw his bill to put all Yadkin officials on a salary basis reported favorably by a unanimous vote following a public hearing at which representatives of both parties from Yadkin had their say.

W. M. Allen, Elkin attorney, represented the group opposing the bill in its present state, claiming that the bill should be amended and certain parts eliminated.

RED ELKS DEFEAT MILLERS CREEK

The Elkin Red Elks edged out a 28 to 26 decision Monday night at the local gymnasium over Millers Creek.

Girls—Learn to be a Beauty Operator. Only a short time required to learn this high class profession. There is a demand for well trained operators. Enroll now. Write at once for special low rates.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of W. J. Burcham, late of Surry County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to present them to the undersigned at Elkin, North Carolina on or before February 9th, 1940 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

Advertisement for Palmolive skin cream, featuring a woman's face and the text 'Guard against DRY, LIFELESS "MIDDLE-AGE" SKIN!'.

Large advertisement for Surry Hardware Co. with the headline 'WHEN THE BUILDING FEVER STRIKES YOU, COME TO SEE US!' and 'WE CAN FURNISH YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED FROM THE FOUNDATION ON UP, AT PRICES THAT ARE IN KEEPING WITH THE QUALITY.'